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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,881,233, to Toyoda et al, issued on March 9, 1999; and

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No.8-242326. This document is a patent family member of the above-noted U.S. Patent No. 5,881,233. Both of these documents are cited at page 1 of the instant application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all of the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted patents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a

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copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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